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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Vorlop et al.)
Application No. 09/720,190) Group Art Unit: 1713
Filed: 20 February 2001) Examiner: Marie L. Reddick
For: *Process for Producing a Polyvinyl*)
Alcohol Gel and a Mechanically Highly)
Stable Gel Produced Thereby) Peoria, Illinois 61602-1241
Attorney Docket No. 64251-010) October 18, 2004

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated April 23, 20004, Applicants submit the following amendment and response.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this Amendment. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account 08-3460.